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PRICE TWO CENTS

BELIEVED TO BE LOST AT SEA

Wreckage Washed Ashore at Cape Breton Probably That of American Steamer Tuscarora -- Entire Crew Missing

(By Associated Press)

New York, Dec. 26.—The American steamer Tuscarora, formerly a lake vessel and requisitioned by the United States shipping board for Atlantic service, together with her entire crew of thirty-five men, is believed to have been lost at sea somewhere north of Cape Breton, according to advices received in shipping circles here today from Nova Scotia.

The crew was composed of men recruited in New England ports. In September, the vessel with others, was cut in two on the Great Lakes, towed through the Welland Canal and re-

joined at Montreal, from where she sailed for New York.

A large number of former lake vessels were caught in the heavy storm a week ago and all but the Tuscarora have been reported arriving safely. Today advices were received in shipping circles here that part of a bridge, pilot house and deck timbers from a large steamer had been washed ashore on St. Paul Island. While there is as yet no positive identification of the wreckage as being a part of the missing steamship, men familiar with that coast and the prevailing tide believe it is the Tuscarora.

SPECIAL AGENT OF WAR TRADE BOARD

Roland M. Baker, formerly of this city and Rye, a well known Massachusetts leather tanner, has been appointed as special agent of the War Trade Board in Boston. He will assume his new duties in a few days.

He has two boys in the U. S. Field Artillery now in France. One of these Roland M. Baker, Jr., has just successfully passed an examination among 250 men, for entrance to a technical Plattsburg near Paris and has received his appointment.

Mr. Baker's assistant in the Boston office will be John George Simon, for

a number of years the foreign representative of Rice & Hutchins, Inc.

SHIPBUILDING PLANT NOTES

Edward Connors and wife passed the holiday at their former home.

C. W. Hurton and wife passed the Christmas holiday with relatives at Auburn, Me.

John Millard, time keeper, passed the holiday in Portland.

Superintendent of plant, H. E. Doring, passed the holiday in Boston.

Robert Austrander of the civil engineer staff, passed Christmas in Malden, Mass.

Read the Want Ads

WILL USE GOV. DINGLEY AS TRAINING SHIP

Has Been Chartered by U. S. Shipping Board for Use of New Merchant Marine.

Boston, Dec. 26.—The Governor Dingley, a coastwise passenger steamer, until recently in the Boston-Portland service has been chartered by the United States Shipping Board recruiting service for a training ship for crews for the new merchant marine. She is the second training ship chartered here, the first one being the Calypso Austin.

STEFANSEN HEARD FROM

Noted Explorer, Head of Canadian Arctic Expedition, Arrives at Fort Yukon.

(By Associated Press) Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, last heard from in a letter received in March, 1916, has arrived with his party at Fort Yukon, according to word received by the Canadian naval department today.

Stefansson is head of the Canadian Arctic expedition which has been in the far north since 1913 and some anxiety has been felt for his safety.

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SMALL IS REFUSED A NEW TRIAL

New Hampshire Supreme Court Overrules Exception of Counsel for Wife Slayer

(By Associated Press) Concord, Dec. 26.—The state supreme court today overruled the exception of counsel for Frederick Small, who is sentenced to be hanged on January 15, 1918, for wife murder, and refused the plea for a new trial.

The body of Small's wife was found in the ruins of their cottage at Ossipee, Sept. 29, 1916, the day after the

destruction of the house by fire. Small was in Boston when the fire occurred, but at his trial the state presented evidence to show that Mrs. Small had been killed before her husband's departure and that the fire had been set by mechanical means. Small's object in killing his wife is believed to have been the life insurance that she carried.

Small is being the first place in the United States to entertain the survivors after their return from the frozen north. The reception and parade in honor of the Greeley survivors was one of the greatest demonstrations ever witnessed in this section and brought thousands of persons from all parts of New England to Portsmouth.

INCOME TAX DEPUTIES ARE ASSIGNED

Internal Revenue Field Men to Be Stationed at Various Cities From Jan. 2 to March 1.

Collector of Internal Revenue Seth W. Jones, in charge of the district composed of the states of New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont, announced to a Herald man today that he has assigned the following income tax inspectors for duty from January 2 to March 1 at the following places: Compton W. Jones at Portsmouth; Heywood Agent Edgar Porter of Washington at Dover; B. Oscar Pinkham at Exeter; William A. Call, Hiram B. Quimby and George A. Dearborn at Manchester; Fred E. Drew at Littleton, and northern part of the state; Almon T. Smith at Nashua; Fred H. Marden at Keene; John McKeen at Concord; James O. Gerry at Berlin; Fred S. Brock at Laconia and Franklin; George F. Spillane at Burlington, in charge of Vermont; James Dwyer at Lewiston; William Cole and E. C. Merrill at Portland; John T. Sherry and Frank Whittemore at Augusta; Kingsbury Piper and George Bowles at Bangor.

Collector Jones said today: "It will be well for every unmarried person whose net income for 1917 is \$1000 or over, and every married person living with wife or husband whose net income for 1917 is \$2000 or over, to call on the income tax man and learn whether or not they have any tax to pay. The person subject to tax who doesn't make return in the time prescribed is going to regret it. The government will get after all income tax slackers."

"There's hardly a business man, merchant or professional man who won't have to make return of income. Farmers, as a class will have to pay the tax. The safe thing to do is for every person who had total income of \$1000 or \$2000, as the case may be, and who is not sure about what deductions the law allows him, to pay it safe by calling on the income tax man.

"The man in the field will have forms for everybody and persons who expect to call on him need not trouble themselves to write to my office for forms."

A WATCH CAP OF GREELEY DAYS

Thomas J. Goodwin of South street is wearing a watch cap that has seen service in far colder weather than there is here. Mr. Goodwin obtained the cap from one of the crew of the U. S. S. Bear at the time that ship came here from the far North in company with the Alert and Thetis, bringing the survivors of the Greeley expedition. The cap has been treasured by Mr. Goodwin since it came into his possession and is a fitting reminder of the early events, made possible by the fact that the late Senator William E. Chandler was secretary of the navy, which gave Portsmouth International

SENATE RESUMES ITS INQUIRY

National Army Officers Just Back From Inspection Trips in France Appear Before Military Committee.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Dec. 26.—Conditions in the American overseas forces and National Army training camps were described today to the Senate military committee when it took up its inquiry into war operations.

General officers of the National Army just back from inspection trips in France were called by the committee. The Senate closed its doors to hear Major General O'Ryan's statement regarding the American expedition abroad. His testimony regarding sufficiency of rations, clothing and supplies in General Pershing's forces should not be made public, the Senate military committee believes.

Jack Frost was much in evidence again Tuesday night.

SOLDIERS IN PURSUIT

Marfa, Texas, Dec. 26.—American troops today were guarding all of the outlets to Van Horn Canyon where 100 Mexican bandits on Christmas morning crossed the American border and raided the post office and general store on Bright Ranch, 27 miles southeast of here, killing Mike Welch, a veteran stage driver, and his Mexican passengers, and wounding the foreman of Bright Ranch. The Mexicans carried away booty believed to amount to seven thousand dollars. The American soldiers are in close pursuit and are reported to have killed and wounded many of the Mexicans.



We wish to express our thanks to all of our customers for their liberal patronage, which made our Christmas business the largest in our history.

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PAINTS WORD VIEW OF BATTLEFIELD

Waldo Pierce, the noted Boston artist, describes in a forceful manner the horror of a battlefield after victory and vanquished have passed. In a communication received by Prof. Charles T. Copeland of Harvard, Mr. Pierce has been in France for some time as the official painter for the Red Cross and has been able to visit a number of places not ordinarily open to any but soldiers.

Mr. Pierce's description of the battlefield appears in the current number of the Harvard Illustrated magazine. It follows in part:

"Nature heals quickly with even sun all chance. Trenches of year ago, shell-holes are all softened over by those good weeds that grow apace.

"In my case, to see a battlefield, one must see it warm, fresh, palpitating, and echoing still to the rumble of artillery. The road I took led me across a great plateau, the first part of which had been given up in the great German retreat of last spring, hence no more destruction than all the fruit trees cut down, and all the great poplars felled by the roadside, and an occasional shell hole. All at once the fields, for one gets now to a great open country, show like a pock-marked face. The pock-pits grow thicker and thicker until they are blurred into a great confusion. These are or were the late first-lines—nothing remains.

"Nature left the earth you know in the moon. Are you a collector of curiosities? If you have an auto left, back a way, hidden behind a pile of sandbags, you might carry back odd objects. There's a German helmet—soft! There's a head still inside. Wall carefully, there are piles of half-embedded unexploded hand-grenades, torpedoes, shells about. You have come to see, not to be seen. There are still a few poplars hopping in this tormented sea of soil cleaving over the flats and jetsam of all the horrible storm which has passed. They'll tell you any point of interest. There are some shoes for the devil's cobbler. He wants human feet for packs; there hands, legs, human saddles and curries for the Kaiser's table.

"Shades of Dante and Milton, you write, but never saw! There were quarries in which the bodies huddled reserves, vast caverns and grotos. Ten miles back were the marine cannon and mortars, with former foemen of said quarries at their elbow. The reserves were held in reserve. They are still, many of them. Today under that avalanche of rock and shell, hands and legs protrude. The reserves are there in case the Kaiser wants them after the war. I saw Germans whose helmets were sieves, whose faces were hush, whose limbs were stuffed rags, all flopped the wrong way, whose smell was as sweet as a dead boche can smell, to a civilized enemy mortal. Some had been buried and torn up again by the shells."

KITTERY

Kittery, Dec. 26.—Miss Ellen A. Bowden gave a delightful Christmas party and musical for her younger pupils only, on Monday afternoon at her home on Newmarket street. The rooms were appropriately decorated for the occasion with evergreen, bells, etc. The following program was given: "Daisy Chains," Gertrude Frary; "My Lesson Today," Clara Currier; "Playing Tag," Wilmer Locke, Miss Bowden; "The Little Stranger," Evelyn Frary; "Will You, Won't You Dance With Me?" by Macie Thys; "The Goat Ride," Wilmer Locke; reading, "Beethoven's Life," "Mendelssohn's Life," Harriet Jeuner; "Spring Song," Miss Bowden; "Rolling Robin," Charlotte Clark; "Song of the Fairies," Robert Bert; "The Vivandier in Camp," Violet Landers; Roberta Landers; "In Endless Mischief," Harriet Jenner; "Fairyland," Helen Foye; "At Twilight," Roberta Landers; "Tarantella," Violet Landers.

Following the program there was a handsomely decorated Christmas tree, and each pupil was presented a musical dictionary and a Christmas bag. Refreshments of cocoa, cake and sandwiches were served, Miss Cathleen Moon of Portsmouth being present and assisting in the serving. At the close, "America" was sung, Miss Helen Foye playing the accompaniment and Miss Clara Currier waving a small American flag. Each pupil was also presented a decorated program as a souvenir. Miss Bowden has between fifteen and twenty music pupils, and was generously remembered with dainty and useful gifts.

Mrs. Annie Knight of Government street is passing the week with friends in Lynn.

Warren Blaisdell of York was a visitor in town on Tuesday.

Miss Clara Dixon assisted in the G. N. French store in Portsmouth during the holiday rush.

The Sons of Veterans will meet Thursday evening at the store of B. F. Bunker to make further plans towards organization.

Morton Holman of Portland passed the holiday with friends in town.

Miss Hazel Wagstaff of New Hampshire college is passing the holiday recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wagstaff of Rogers road.

Miss Jessie Hale of Everett, Mass., Leon French have been released from the hospital, guest of her father, scarlet fever quarantine.

The meeting of the ladies' Circle

Mrs. Maria Sherburne of North



Scene in Eugene Walter's great play, "Just A Woman," which the Chicago Stock Company will produce at the Colonial Theatre tonight. This wonderful play telling the story of a woman fighting her husband in the common pleas court to prevent him obtaining a divorce and the custody of their child, is written in a masterful manner. The story of this play is almost like the recent De Saulles case. By all means do not miss it.

Thursday afternoon the players will

present "The Penalty of Sin" a heart-stirring romance of New England life in which a girl that errred, furnishes the basis for a very interesting play.

Thursday evening the celebrated rural play, "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," will be staged. This great State O'Maine play abounds in comedy scenes and situations and the adventures of sweet Little Rebecca with the Perkins Hollow folk has made millions laugh and cry.

Friday matinee and evening Emily Stevens' New York success "The Unchaste Woman," a brilliant comedy in four acts and which can a hold year in New York city will be the attraction.

Saturday matinee "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" will be given an elaborate scene production and Saturday evening "The House of Bondage" will be offered. Seats are now selling for all week. Matinees are children 10 cents, adults 20 cents; evenings, 10, 20, 30 and 50 cents.

Berwick passed Christmas in town with relatives.

Charles A. Gerry of Love lane resumed his duties at the navy yard today after a few days' vacation.

Roy D. Keene of New Hampshire college is passing the holidays at his home in town.

York Rebekah Lodge, No. 3, meets Thursday evening at Odd Fellows hall. Election of officers will take place.

A total of 551 new members of the Red Cross was reached on Monday evening Kittery getting its full quota which was 550. This brings the total membership for the town up to nearly nine hundred.

Mrs. Olive Sherburne of Portsmouth passed Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Frank W. Cull.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Gulbransen of Love lane passed the holiday with relatives in Dover.

Herman Petzold of Lawrence, Mass., has been passing a few days with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Webber and their son of Manchester passed the week-end and holiday with relatives here and at Kittery Point.

Mrs. Annie Nelson of Love lane passed Christmas in Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Goodwin and family of York were guests on Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goodwin of Dame street.

Albert Drinkwater of Manson avenue passed Christmas with relatives in Exeter, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jant of Pleasant street have been passing a few days with relatives in Portland.

Mrs. John Hall of the Isles of Shoals is visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. Aaron Cole of Government street is able to go out after an illness.

Mr. and Mrs. William Carr and Miss Mary Parker passed Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Parker of Portsmouth.

Mrs. Leroy Philbrick of Orls avenue has returned from a week's visit to relatives in Portland.

Mrs. Wilbur H. Shaw of Portsmouth visited relatives in town on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morton of Wentworth street are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wood of New York are guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. Little Tufts of Woodlawn avenue.

Wallace Putnam of Camp Devens, Ayer, was the guest of friends in town over Christmas.

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KITTERY POINT

KITTERY POINT, Dec. 25.—The church in town observed Christmas exercises and Christmas trees. The Congregational church and First Christian church gave a concert on Monday evening and the Baptist church on Tuesday evening. Following is the program of the First Christian church:

Song—School, No. 1.

Prayer—Rev. E. W. Cummings.

Recitation—Hillton Emery.

Recitation—Charles Anderson.

Recitation—Emily Huff.

Song—School, No. 10.

Recitation—Clifton Trefethen.

Recitation—Dorothy Drew.

Recitation—Denison Waller.

Recitation—Beatrice Coffin.

Solo—Mrs. Benjamin Seaward.

Song—School, No. 14.

Exercise, three boys—Denison Waller, Clifton Trefethen, Walter Anderson.

Song, three girls—Mildred Emery, Beatrice Coffin, Ruth Emery.

Recitation—Emily Grace.

Recitation—Alice Perry.

Recitation—Mildred Emery.

Exercise, three girls—Hazel Bond, Geraldine Fletcher, Emily Huff.

Song—School, No. 18.

Recitation—Jessie Billings.

Recitation—Everett Billings.

Exercise, four boys—Raymond Blake, Harry Billings, Harry Billings, Milton Emery.

Song—School, No. 22.

Recitation—Irene Reynolds.

Recitation—Isabelle Grace.

Recitation—Walter Anderson.

Offering.

Song—America, by all.

The W. C. T. U. will meet on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. John H. Dartt, December 27.

Fred Billings of Boston spent the

holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Billings.

Miss Ray Whiteman and children returned to their home on Tuesday evening after a few days' visit with relatives.

Mrs. Charles Clark and guest, Miss

Harriet Mower of Boston, spent

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WAR COUNCIL IMPORTANT BODY

Newly Created Military Cabinet Will Guide Secy. Baker in Deciding Momentous Issues.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The newly created council of high officers in the war department will become one of the most important of the war agencies of the government if Secretary Baker's plans are carried out. This military cabinet, it was learned today will guide the secretary in the decisions he must make in question to the welfare of the army and the prosecution of the war.

Organization of the war council has not been completed. The five general officers now constituting its membership are meeting every day, however, to go over with Mr. Baker the larger problems before him that are pressing for solution.

No statement has been issued covering any point so far taken up by the officers of the council. In his announcement of the formation of the new body, however, Mr. Baker laid stress on the fact that additional officers would be added as necessary, and there are indications that more appointments are to come within the next few days.

There are many questions of supply and equipment which the secretary must decide, and therefore he has had only the individual and conflicting views of the staff or bureau chiefs to guide him. The council provides a means for co-ordinating these opinions and for the threshing out of any conflict of views.

MORE AVIATORS ARE NEEDED

Machines Are Being Made So Fast That Shortage in Operators May Result.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The building of aeroplanes and the schooling of flyers is going along at the maximum rate throughout the country, Howard E. Coffin, chairman of the Aircraft Protection Board, said today after an inspection trip.

"The material side of aeroplane development," he said, "is satisfactory. We now want to get men to fly them fast as the machines are built.

"This branch of the service is getting the highest type of Americans. Their examinations and the character of their training insures that. While they are ample for the present demand, there must be more for the future.

"In this connection, young men should consider that a knowledge of engineering, mechanics or actual flying in connection with aeronautics will have a decided peace time value.

"Christian Endeavor prayer service of the First Christian church will be held at the home on Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moulton this evening at 7.30. Miss Alice Sprague of Holton, Me., is the guest of Miss Ruth Lawry at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manning Lawry.

A meeting of the Red Cross will be held with Mrs. Oscar Clark. Mrs. Lamoureux of Kittery will read the reports of a convention which she attended in Boston last week, a good audience is requested.

C. Edwin Phillips of Boston spent Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Phillips.

DOVER GIVES HALIFAX \$607.70

Dover, N. H., Dec. 25.—Dover's Halifax fund was closed yesterday. Chairman Foster of the local committee on National Defense, sent a check for \$607.70 to H. H. Dudley of Concord, State treasurer of the fund.

MANCHESTER CHURCH CLOSES OWING TO COAL SHORTAGE

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 24.—Because of the scarcity of fuel, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, West Winchester, has decided to close its house of worship until Easter Sunday, and to conduct its religious as well as social activities in the parish house.

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VERDUN UNDER GERMAN FIRE

Heavy Artillery Action May Mean Another Drive—Italian Recapture Ground

(By Associated Press)

Increased cannonading on the Verdun front, especially in the regions about Douaumont, the Chateau woods and the Camiers woods, where a year ago some of the heaviest engagements of the war were fought, indicated that the Germans are not going to allow the French rest in this section, or it may indicate that they are going to try once more to pierce the French line at this point, which has been the graveyard of many of their military hopes.

On the Italian front the battle along the Piave river still continues. The Italians claim the recapture of all of the ground lost yesterday along the Asiago plateau, but the reports from Berlin tend to minimize the importance of their counter attacks.

Berlin reports that the counter attacks were repulsed at Mount Pertica. They claim to have captured 9,000 prisoners in recent engagements at Colle Rosso. True to their tactics the Austro-Germans may be depended upon to renew their attacks as the large movement of troops indicates that they are going to keep plugging in their efforts to get through the mountain and to again menace the Venetian plains.

(The Associated Press correspondent)

OPERATORS

GET 10 PER CENT INCREASE

(By Associated Press)

Boston, Dec. 25.—An advance of wages of about ten per cent for all of the telephone operators outside of Boston, some 5000 in number, went into effect last Saturday, became known here today. The Boston situation is still under discussion. The leaders of the Boston telephone operators union state that the increase given the outside operators was one that they had reflected and that a meeting of the union to vote on a strike had been called.

GERMAN WOMAN ARRESTED AS A SPY

(By Associated Press)

North Adams, Mass., Dec. 25.—Lug Bertant of Springfield was shot and killed at the home of his brother-in-law, John Donofri, here today. Donofri disappeared, after the shooting. According to the police, the wife and children of Bertant have lived with her brother for two years and when Bertant appeared for a Christmas visit he got after him for the failure to support his family and the shooting followed.

SURGEONS FOR ADMIRALS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Medical Directors George H. Barber and Edward R. Stitt were promoted today to the rank of rear admiral. These officers were selected by the President in recognition of their distinguished services, said Secretary Daniels. "The President will send their nominations to the Senate as soon as Congress reassembles." Dr. Barber is a native of Massachusetts. He is a specialist in tuberculosis and for several years has been head of the Naval Hos-

U. S. HAS ENOUGH FLOUR TO LAST FIVE MONTHS

Minneapolis, Dec. 25.—Frank L. Carey, representative of the Food Administration Grain Corporation, who

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pital at Las Animas, Col. Dr. Stitt is president of the Naval School, Washington, and an authority on tropical medicine.

Dr. Barber has served many years at sea and has had service at training stations and hospitals both in the United States and in the Philippines. He was at one time in command of the hospital ship Relief on the Asiatic station. His special work in tuberculosis led to Dr. Barber's selection to take charge of the Naval Hospital at Las Animas, the sanatorium for tuberculosis patients of the Navy. During his five years in charge there, the institution has been enlarged from a capacity of 200 beds to accommodations for 700 patients. He is a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, New York, and entered the Navy as assistant surgeon in 1889.

HOOVER ON SUGAR SHORTAGE

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 25.—The food statement which Food Administrator Hoover sought to get before the Senate Committee, investigating the sugar situation, was issued tonight by orders of the White House. He attributes the shortage of sugar to the great shipment of sugar to Europe and to the fact that while in peace Europe consumes the greater part of their own sugar but they were now calling upon the supply from this country. He claims that if it had not been for the fixing of prices by an agreement, that sugar would be now selling at 25 cents a pound and that the public would have been unshod of over \$200,000,000. The statement outlined the sugar situation since the war began and claims that Europe had taken already 1,000,000 tons of sugar, which is the great cause of the shortage.

The Bolshevik government has issued a manifesto to the Russian workers, warning them to cease their activities on all military supplies and instead to devote their time to the production of supplies that will be needed in civil life.

OLD SOLDIERS TO BE EXCHANGED

(By Associated Press)

Paris, Dec. 25.—An official note announcing that an agreement had been reached between Germany and France by which all prisoners of war of 48 years or over, who have been prisoners for 18 months, were to be exchanged. That is, all non-commissioned officers and privates, but all officers of that age were to be interned in Switzerland.

Our stocks are ample everywhere even though flour exports to our Allies increased 50 percent over last year," he said. "If for any reason marketing of wheat from the farms should cease, this country could exist five months on the stocks now accumulated as reserves."

Mr. Carey also announced that approximately 1,000,000 bushels of wheat from the Pacific Coast has been ordered shipped here for use of local flour mills.

Chief Flynn Resigns

(From the Manchester Union)

The resignation of William J. Flynn as chief of the United States secret service would have been a matter of general regret at any time since his assumption of that important position, but it is particularly to be deplored in view of the existing need for a man of his experience and acknowledged ability in directing the detection and apprehension of offenders against the nation's interests. Fortunately it is for the country that the retiring chief is to be succeeded, in the person of Deputy Chief W. H. Moran, by a man who has had long training in the Flynn methods, and whose capability has been repeatedly demonstrated. Never has the United States had greater cause to appreciate an efficient federal secret service than it has today. The men of the service are matched against the highest-paid, most unscrupulous and most pervasive enemy spy system that the world has ever seen. Under Chief Flynn's direction, it has given an excellent account of itself. There is every reason to expect that it will continue to do so under the direction of Chief Moran.

In the nature of things, the American people cannot know the full extent to which they are indebted to the skill, the patriotism and the unfailing fidelity to duty of William J. Flynn. They can only know, and they do know, in a general way that he and his workers have stood constantly between our government and all enemies, who, whether by gradual encroachment, subtle plot or fanatical violence, would have wrecked it. For 20 years Mr. Flynn has been a part of this great detective and protective machine. It is five years this month since he became its responsible chief. Whatever may be his plans for the future, rumor has it that he will eventually become police commissioner of New York city—he will take with him the good wishes and appreciation of a hundred million or more Americans.

Let the patriotic popular co-operation which the service has had under Chief Flynn, continue and increase under his successor. The constituted secret service alone, marvellously efficient as it is, cannot protect the country from its enemies. It is as much the duty of any private citizen as of any member of the secret service to report symptoms of treason, sedition or other form of disloyalty. The importance of keeping this fact in mind, and of acting upon it without hesitation when ever occasion seems to warrant, cannot be over-emphasized. This country needs to be on a gigantic secret service system, with every citizen an alert and courageous member. The need is not created by the retirement of Chief Flynn, for it has existed all along and no one would be quicker than the incoming director of the secret service to agree that it will continue to exist.

ALLOW COAL ADVANCE OF 75 CENTS

The local fuel administrators, as has been previously announced, have allowed the local coal dealers to advance the price of coal 75 cents a ton to meet the increase cost of coal wholesale and the increased cost of distribution in small quantities.

The local administrators have been toiling over the matter for some weeks, and they have simply followed the rulings of about all fuel committees. The wholesale price was advanced 35 cents a ton by permission of the National Administrator and to this the dealers have had to contend with the extra cost of handling coal coming by rail and also the increase that has resulted from the rule to allow each person but a ton or a half a ton at a time.

THREE BOYS KILLED AT NASHUA

(By Associated Press)

Nashua, Dec. 25.—Two boys were drowned in the Merrimack river here today. Felix Muischek, 9 years, was drawing Joseph Mestkage on a sled on the river when the ice gave way and both boys were drowned. Odas Oureau was the victim of another accident. He had been presented with a revolver on a Christmas tree and he shot himself when loading it.

STATE WILL GET RED CROSS QUOTA

This city in all probability will get fourth place in the state in the Red Cross membership drive, for while reports are not yet complete it looks as though Manchester, Nashua and Concord would be the only cities to exceed the 3700 that this city has secured.

The returns for the entire state are by no means complete and it will be tonight or tomorrow before the final figures are available. The state's quota is 70,000 and up to Saturday night it has reached 45,000, so that the committee are quite confident that the full quota will be reached. Manchester has reached its full quota of 20,000. Nashua has reported 8,063, Concord 5,000, Portsmouth 3700, Laconia 2700 and a great many of the small towns have reported as passing their quota, while such towns as Newmarket have gone way over their quota.

Locally it would not be surprising if this city even reached the four thousand mark, but 3300 is practically assured, although only 3700 checked. As the Portsmouth Chapter gets one-half of this sum, it assures the Chapter a sufficient funds to keep the large force of workers at the work room well provided with the proper materials and also to take care of the civilian refugees which are daily increasing.

Keep the Home Fires Burning

(From the Boston Herald)

Snow-covered, wind-swept, many a hill and dale is resounding to the woodman's axe, plied regularly by state foresters, at intervals by the farmers, and intermittently in morning hours and on "off days" by citizens doing their bit towards fuel conservation. Particularly is this request applicable to technical students, to whom every day's training is just as much by way of additional enhancement of their value to the country in its time of urgent need. The military authorities have specifically requested that male students who have not yet been called into the service apply themselves diligently to their studies until their call comes.

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Portsmouth, N. H., Wednesday, December 26, 1917.

The Fight for National Prohibition.

Congress has done its part toward making the nation bone dry by submitting to the states an amendment to the constitution, which if adopted by three-fourths of them within seven years will do the business. It is a development which many of the present generation had never expected to see, but this is an age in which things move rapidly, whatever the issue.

It is a happy day for those who have been working for years to eliminate the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. Due to their efforts there are many different laws in the different states, all aiming toward the same end. There is state prohibition with the privilege of importing a certain amount of liquor for "personal use"; there are states attempting to be bone dry, and there is local option applying in some states to counties and in others to cities and towns; and there are states in which prohibition is anathema and which are as "wide open" as the sky above.

For many years the agitation against the liquor traffic has been the affair of the states in their individual capacity, but it has gradually grown into a national question and is now before the people as a whole, although the states must act separately through their legislatures. If three-fourths of these ratify the amendment bone dry prohibition will become the law of the land, and states, counties, cities and towns will have no more to say about it.

One point that is interesting, and to a certain extent disturbing, is that the conditions make possible a decision by a minority of the people. In this case the vote of one state counts for as much as that of any other, regardless of size. In this vote the little state of Idaho will balance the great state of New York. But that is the way in which the constitution is amended and the situation must be accepted as gracefully as possible.

What the outcome will be it is impossible to foretell. There is a considerable number of states that are already dry and these may be expected to stand by their colors. In the other states there will be lively campaigning to line them up on one side or the other, with the result that the liquor issue will be to the front until the country as a whole has acted upon it.

Thus far in the attempt to promote temperance through law local option has worked about as well as any method that has been tried. This leaves the question to communities to settle for themselves and seems eminently fair and proper. It does not produce perfect conditions, and it is to be feared that nothing—even national prohibition—ever will. Law, whether state or national, not adequately backed by public sentiment is a difficult thing to enforce, a fact which is one of the strongest arguments in favor of local option with reference to the liquor traffic.

But the question of nation-wide bone dryness is now before the country and within seven years at the farthest the result will be known. It is possible that it may be known much sooner.

The Food Administration is interested in the producer as well as the consumer. It is urging farmers to hold back their hogs until the glut in the Chicago market is relieved. It would appear that no condition is to be permitted to make anything cheap, even for a short space of time.

"Heat your home with sunshine," says a bulletin issued in Massachusetts in the interest of fuel conservation. And by moving one's home to Florida this can be done like a book. As a rule sunshine is scarcer than coal in Massachusetts in the winter season.

A Maine man claims that he recently sent to Montreal for some sugar and had no trouble in buying it there at six cents a pound. And yet it has been claimed that the sugar shortage here was partly due to shipments to Canada, where it brought higher prices.

The New Haven, Conn., Civic Federation urges the consolidation of saloons for the purpose of saving fuel. It has been commonly supposed that saloonmen were able to keep their patrons warm without burning much coal.

Federal authorities have warned railroads to be on guard against the I. W. W., who, it believes, are planning to poison cattle and hogs in transit. A bullet would be none too good for any man caught in such nefarious work.

The La Follette hearing has been postponed for the fourth time. One would almost think it was a murder case.

Andrew J. Peters, one of the five candidates for mayor of Boston, did not "peter out." He "petered in."

Joys and Gloom
(From the New York Herald)
In the midst of its celebrations over the defeat of Mayor Curley, Boston discovers that Mr. Hoover has decreed as "porkless day" that on which it bakes its beloved beans!

A War Councillor Approved
(From the Springfield Republican)
Major General Weaver, who goes into the war council, has many friends in Massachusetts who learned to esteem him before he became chief of coast artillery. He always had a friendly interest in the development of military matters in this state.

Look Out for Fire
(From the Nashua Telegraph)
A lighted candle, a banner, curtains and bunting really did offer a combination which might in numbers of cases start fires on Christmas eve. The scheme of illumination is advised against.

Boston is Reforming
(From the Syracuse Post-Standard)
Boston has so long made excuses for its mayors that apology has become a habit. Through a happy accident rather than to any deliberate intention to do her best Boston has reformed. While New York and Philadelphia after a profligate experience with good government have slipped back into the rut of sheer partisanship, Boston has clambered out.

Guarding Home Territory
(From the Lynn Item)

The contemplated action of the government, with reference to guarding the water fronts and ammunition plants of the country, has caused considerable uneasiness in the Massachusetts State guard, and wonderment as to whether the members are to have real service when so palpable a necessity for it exists. The plan is to form a division of men from the rejected national army men, and officer them with student officers who failed to obtain a commission at Plattsburgh and similar camps, the whole to be the national arm in guarding against enemy aliens. Should this be carried out the functions of the state guard would be very limited and a blow would be dealt to that fine patriotism which prompted these men to enlist for two years, or the duration of the war. The men of the state guard are either too old for active service or they have dependents to disqualify them for it. They seem to be just the kind of men fitted for this service by reason of their mature years, and consequently proper judgment in dealing with peculiar and delicate problems which are always found in this kind of work. They are too patriotic to criticize whatever action may be taken but they are of mind that the facts should be presented before a final decision is reached.

Borden Under Canada's Burden
(From the New York Evening Post)

The odds were plainly too great against Sir Wilfrid Laurier, but the sweeping character of his defeat in the west had been expected neither by the Liberals nor the Unionists. The victory plainly means that the Anglo-Saxon people of Canada are put their whole strength into this war just as long as it lasts and that they are not willing to swap horses while crossing a stream, lest the change be misinterpreted abroad. The gravity of the situation is that it is a straight-out line-up of French Canadians against Anglo-Saxons. In the entire Province of Quebec not a single Unionist was elected outside of three districts in the city of Montreal. What is going to happen? Who is going to force Quebec to enforce the conscription law? The outlook is the more unhappy because, in addition to the racial cleavage, the religious line was very clearly drawn. This makes a demand upon Sir Robert Borden's statesmanship and breadth of view and tolerance which will test his skill. Having been returned with a larger majority than he had hoped for, it is his opportunity and his duty to display the greatest possible wisdom and magnanimity towards the French Canadians lest there arise grave complications.

It is at least reassuring that the Borden victory is so decisive that it cannot be attributed to any juggling with the franchise.

(From the New York World)

The strange callousness of French Quebec to the need of France in suffering, sacrifice and peril is as marked as ever; but conscription may be enforced without much trouble, and soldiers returning from comradeship with their blood brothers in France may have a broader view. As a whole, Canada has been in the war from the first. Her record is glorious; her losses appalling. They enter to their doom of surrender. The Dominion Agrees to a truce.

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(From the Manchester Mirror)

A certain small percentage of our "sportsmen" have been making a case or entirely disproportionate to their numbers urging congress to relax the federal laws restraining them from shooting game birds every month of the year.

These alleged sportsmen also oppose ratification of a migratory bird treaty with Great Britain.

Our game birds must be killed as a war measure, they say, relying on the present demand for food to give weight to their request.

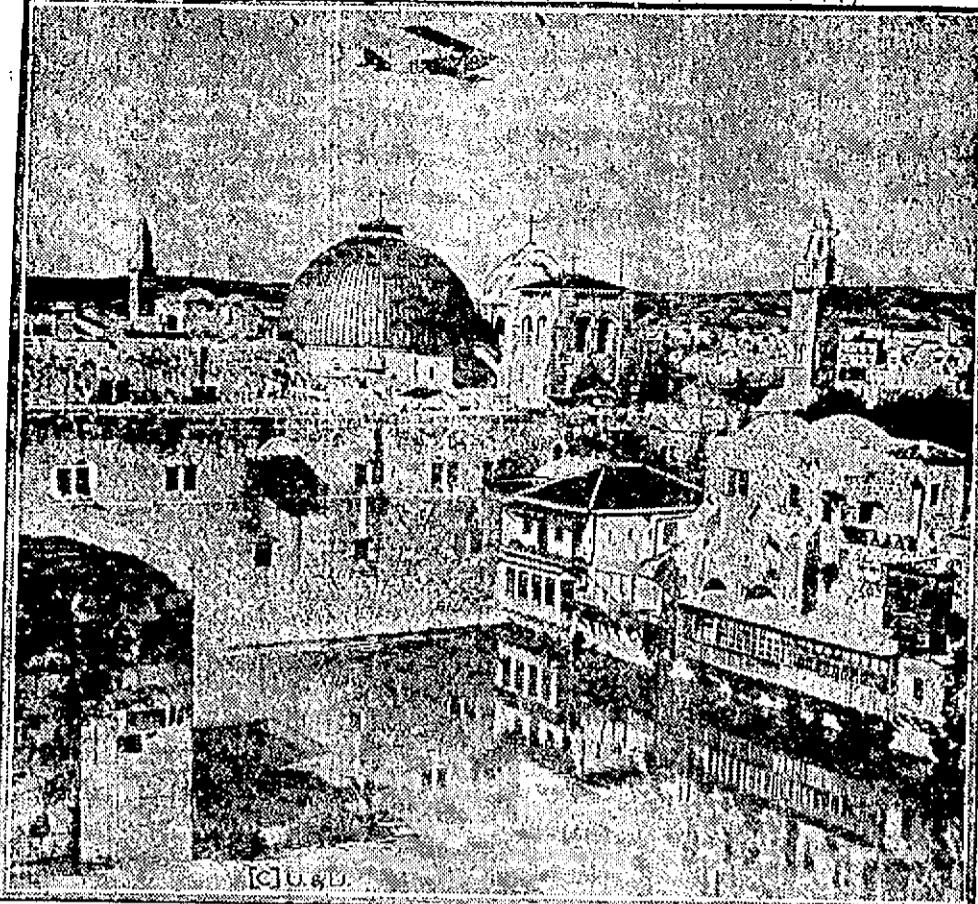
But, there is no danger that the federal government will declare every

game bird a target. The platform of the Liberals, under Laurier, proposed that this form of legislation should be submitted to referendum offering a quiescence in, and support of, the measure if it should be adopted by popular vote. The success of the Liberals at the polls would have pleased the Dominion war party, unwilling to continue and extend the sacrifices already made, wish

to have the federal government to do the same.

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Jerusalem at Last Recovered from the Turks.



ONE HUNDRED
AND THREE
YEARS OLD

Former Portsmouth Citizen
Celebrates Anniversary;
Tells of the Old Days
Here.

The Boston Post has the following interesting story about a native of Portsmouth, now 103 years old:

"It's easy enough to be merry at Christmas when you're one and twenty; but what of an old, old lady with snow white hair and kind, mild manners and who makes merry on Christmas day and on the very same day celebrates her 103d birthday?

"The kind old lady just a little wizened up, but lively and smiling, is Mrs. Elizabeth A. Dorr, and she lives with her son, Edgar S. Dorr, in a fine old-fashioned house at 213 Savin Hill, avenue, Dorchester.

"Only a few weeks ago she saw what she wished so much to see—a flying machine. One of them rose up from Squantum, and she stepped out into the garden and watched it soar over her head. She returned to the house, her face all aglow with satisfaction, and in uninjured half to herself, 'I have seen them!' She had seen so much come; so many come and go; and now she had seen men fly. There was nothing more to wish for.

"A day like this takes me back to lots of things," she said. "I think of the days in Portsmouth. That's where I was born in 1814—(the Postman remembered his school days when 1814 signified Napoleon died at St. Helena)—and in those days we hadn't heard of kerosene. We used oil-lights and candles, and obtained our sparks with tinderboxes.

"From Portsmouth to Boston was a long, tiresome journey, and when I made it which I did several times as a young girl I had to choose between going by coasting schooner, waterwise, or by stagecoach, sir. Of course, one might go horseback too. Letters traveled slowly; they took weeks and even months to reach their destinations. We did all our own sewing then, sir, and spun our own cloth, and a girl made her whole wardrobe herself. She had to be fleet with her needle in those days.

"How gas did make a change; even kerosene lamps seemed like the end of the lighting problem. Then sewing machines—I was delighted with them, although I was already quite a woman when they came out. Velocipedes, bicycles—was long married when I first saw them. They had common candles in the theatres then and later kerosene lamps that smoked a lot.

"A newspaper was a treasure, not wrapping paper. And how the trains first delighted men; horsecars I thought I'd never get accustomed to. And now—automobiles, telephones, electric liners, telegraph, motorcycles, electric cars, electric lights, electric flatirons and stoves—everything done by machines that we used to do with our hands—even letter writing. And those flying machines!"

"What about ladies' dress styles?" asked Mrs. Dorr. "I suppose you'd like to say they shock me sir?" she smiled. "Well, they don't. I hardly stop to think about them. They're no worse than what we used to wear when I was a girl a century ago. Nice girls today dress just as modestly as nice girls did then; and the kind that weren't nice could be naughty just as easily in crinolines as in a fine frock of this year's style."

"It's the war that shocks me, not the clothes, sir. I think Mr. Wilson is a great President and I've seen—let me see; oh lots of them. I do hope we'll win this war and that it will be over soon. I had hoped never to see another war—war is useless, but since we had to have it it must end. Yesterday I joined the Red Cross. They say I'm the oldest member, and I'm proud to belong."

A Thief Not to Be Envied

(From the New York World)
If, before the arrival of the British, the Turks stole the relays from the Italy Sepulchre in Jerusalem and sent them to the Katoe, as is reported, we do not envy him his custodianship. There is some plunder in this world which may be enjoyed in secret, but which never can be exhibited.

James W. McLellan of Tregott, Me., while hunting during the open season, saw a fox coming in his direction and sat down to wait until he came within range of his rifle. He shot the fox and hardly had the report died away when two black deer sprang into the open and seeing the fox, stopped to look. McLellan shot at one. The bullet went through the head of one deer and entered the heart of the other, killing them both instantly.

WANTED—By American woman 28 years old, office position as stenographer and bookkeeper; able to assume full responsibility and furnish best references. Tel. 685W or address this office, E. A. N.

No Hurry for Work
Naval Constructor L. S. Adams of the Industrial Department, who has just been discharged from the local hospital, will not resume his duties for a month or more.

Thunderstorm clouds are very variable in height—from 500 to 2000 feet. The clouds in thunderstorms may be very deep—from two to five miles and more—hence the appearance as to distance is very deceptive. Cumulus clouds are intermediate, and generally occupy a position from 2000 to 5000 feet above the earth.

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NAVY YARD NOTES

Promoted to Sergeant
Sergeant Walter O. Jackson, U. S. M. C., attached to the naval prison, who was recently married in this city, has been promoted to first sergeant. His many friends are pleased at his advance in the service.

In Naval Hospital
Arthur Patch of this city who recently entered the regular navy has been quite ill at the naval hospital at Newport.

Home for Holiday
James Quirk of the U. S. S. Bridgewater passed the holiday in this city.

Thirty-Two More Wanted

The last call made by the Industrial Department for help included the following: Ten machinists, 2 chauffeurs, 2 pipefitters, 1 holder-on, and 17 general helpers.

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New Company Formed Will Build a Chain of High Power Radio Stations.

New York, Dec. 26.—Commercial wireless communication between the United States, Mexico and Central and South America, was brought nearer today with the announcement here of the organization of the Pan-American Wireless Telegraph and Telephone Co. The announcement, which was made by the Marconi Wireless Company of America, stated that work on a chain of high powered stations will be begun immediately after the first of the year.

"The United States government has set its seal of approval on the new enterprise," the company's statement reads.

RAILROAD NOTES

Dana B. Cutler, general agent for the Boston & Maine at Lynn, Mass., was a visitor at the local station on Tuesday.

The coal situation at the Boston & Maine round-house today gave the local officials much concern when they realized that only 50 tons made up the supply for locomotives. During the day a few carloads were received from Boston.

John W. Parker, clerk at the local round-house and shop of the Boston & Maine, passed the holiday with friends in Lynn.

Through trains on the Portland division were run in sections on Tuesday evening. The Flying Yankee from this city was made up of three sections.

The enlargement of the draw on the Portsmouth and Kittery bridge will be done by contract.

GREENLAND

Greenland, Dec. 26.—A whist party for the benefit of the Red Cross auxiliary was held at the town hall last evening.

The canning factory has closed for the season.

Miss Alice Seavey, the Misses Martha Elizabeth and Marlon Bennett, Miss Dorothy Odell, Norman Babes and Cecil Clough are spending the Christmas vacation in town.

Miss Mary Horton is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edwin Brackett.

Union services were held at the joint session of the two Sunday schools Methodist church on Sunday. At a \$25 was raised for Armenian relief work, and further pledges were made. Over \$500 has been collected here the last two months for war relief.

RYE NEWS

Rye, Dec. 26.—The fourth lecture in the series of demonstrations in food conservation will take place at 2:30 Wednesday, Jan. 2, at the Rye Central Schoolhouse. Attendance at these lectures is free.

**To the Customers of the
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY LIGHT
& POWER COMPANY**

We respectfully request the customers of this Company to co-operate with us in so far as practical, in reducing the use of electricity between the hours of 4:00 P. M. and 8:00 P. M. each day. Especially do we request that the merchants do not light their windows or their signs during these hours.

We have only been able to secure a limited amount of coal at this time and our desire is to make it last as long as possible. All power users both commercial and street railway companies are co-operating with us with this end in view.

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION
IN THIS CITY QUIET**

Day Made Pleasant for the Enlisted Men With Trees—Gifts and Entertainments

tures is at once a privilege and a duty; and this subject, "Meat Substitutes," is of especial importance. At any time it is well worth our while to take advantage of any methods by which our familiar enemy, the high cost of living, can be kept at bay. At this time in particular, when every patriotic woman is feeling more and more keenly her personal responsibility in the nation-wide campaign against waste, this opportunity to increase her efficiency should not be neglected.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Ruth Berry Moody

Died in Greenland, Dec. 25th, Ruth Berry, wife of Richard S. Moody and daughter of the late Thomas W. and Caroline Hall Berry, aged 20 years. Services at her residence Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Portland papers please copy.

John Nelson Fritz

John Nelson Fritz, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Fritz died at the family home on Cabot street this morning after a short illness, aged 4 years, 7 months and 2 days. The child was a bright young one and the pet of the entire neighborhood.

SERVICE ON SUNDAY AT THE WENTWORTH HOME

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 23, the Mark H. Wentworth Home was favored with a service suited to the Christmas season, through the kindness of the Rev. W. M. Stanley, pastor of the Middle street Baptist church, with his choir; Miss Frances Murch, soprano; Miss Evelyn Badger, alto; Mr. Harry Cawell, tenor; Mr. Freeman Caswell, bass; and Miss Flora Dmick, organist and director. In addition to several hymns and carols, the choir sang an anthem, "Calm in the Listening ear of night," and Mr. Caswell a solo, "In old Juden," and the whole service, sermon, prayer, scripture reading and mystery of peace on earth and good will toward men, touched a responsive chord in every heart.

DOVER KNOWS THE REASON

Reports from Washington say a committee of the senate has been instructed to "probe into the shipbuilding business." They will not have to probe very far to find out why there is a delay in the Newington ship yard. The lumber was ordered and promised long ago to be shipped from the North Pacific coast; its transportation has been delayed by lack of freight cars. The railroad men are hustling as fast as possible.—Dover Democrat.

AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

The directors of Chase Home for Children gratefully acknowledge the following gifts of money: A bachelor, \$5; Mrs. Edwin Putnam, \$25; North Church kindergarten, \$2; South Church charity fund, \$25; total, \$57.

MARION S. MILLER,
Treasurer Current Expenses.

COWS WERE AFFECTED

Dr. Paul and State Agent Nelson were called to Newton this morning to examine several cows, two of which were killed, having been affected with tuberculosis.

One way to relieve habitual constipation is to take regular, a mild laxative. Dr. A. R. Raynes recommends for this purpose, 30c a box.

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We respectfully request the customers of this Company to co-operate with us in so far as practical, in reducing the use of electricity between the hours of 4:00 P. M. and 8:00 P. M. each day. Especially do we request that the merchants do not light their windows or their signs during these hours.

We have only been able to secure a limited amount of coal at this time and our desire is to make it last as long as possible. All power users both commercial and street railway companies are co-operating with us with this end in view.

Christmas day was observed quietly in this city, but nevertheless with the real spirit of the day. There were church services at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, where four masses were held in the morning and at the eight o'clock where the children's choir furnished a fine musical program and at the 10:30 where the senior choir assisted by an orchestra, rendered a most impressive musical program under the direction of Director W. W. McIntire.

At both the Episcopal churches services were held at the St. John's and the Christ and special musical programs were rendered.

About the city it was a home day with everybody, especially those having children making the most of the day at home.

Special efforts were made to make the day pleasant for the enlisted men of the army and navy and this was successful.

At the forts in the lower harbor, there were special exercises. At noon the regular Christmas turkey dinner with all of the fixings that the army chaps could think of was served.

All of the men received a Christmas present of a comfort bag from the Girls Patriotic League of this city and these were all very acceptable. Then

there were the usual gifts from home so that the quarters of the men were very cheerful. Christmas trees were provided and entertainments of music etc were arranged with picture shows so that every minute of the men's time were taken.

At the navy yard the enlisted men at the barracks, training camp and ships as well as the guard at the prison, had their Christmas dinner and they were well entertained with many gifts, and in some cases Christmas trees were provided. Musical programs were also enjoyed. Even the prisoners were given extra liberties and a special dinner.

In this city at the Army and Navy Home and at the Y. M. C. A., everything was done to make the enlisted men feel at home.

About the city there was very little of special note, most people being contented to remain at home.

The Salvation Army made their usual distributions of Christmas baskets and also had a time for the children.

The De Witt Clinton Commandery, Knights Templar, gathered at noon Christmas day to hold their usual ceremony of drinking a toast to the Grand Commander. A special musical program was provided and lunch served.

Ralph Berry of Boston passed the holiday at his home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Arrington of Langdon street passed the holiday in Lynn.

Miss Gertrude Corey of Middle street, who has been ill, is very much improved.

John Kilroy of Cass street who has been suffering from blood poisoning, is much improved.

Col. H. C. Taylor is passing the Christmas holiday with his family who are visiting in Haverhill.

The young son of Mrs. R. M. Greath of Washington street is ill with typhoid fever.

Miss Elizabeth Goss of the Lynn hospital passed Christmas with relatives at Rye.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Davidson of Union street are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

Paul Conroy of the 9th Company C. A. C. passed the holiday with relatives in this city.

Timothy Crowley, employed at the navy yard passed the holiday at his home in Diddford.

Miss Anna Cogan, nurse at the Carnegie hospital, Boston, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Paul Kirwan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kirwan of Ingleson street, is ill with scarlet fever.

Mrs. B. M. Fisher of 2nd avenue has been restricted to her residence for the past week by the grippe.

John Cronin of Washington, D. C. spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Annie Cronin of Stark street.

Special Agent Fred E. Drew of the Internal Revenue force, passed Christmas with his family in this city.

Mr. H. W. Nickerson of Old Orchard passed Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Harry Wendell on Hill street.

Mr. James L. Batchelder of North Timpot who has been seriously ill, is reported to be greatly improved.

Corporal Omer J. Comeau of the 9th Company, C. A. C. stationed at Springfield, Mass., spent the holiday at his home in this city.

Roy Harmon, a member of the quartermaster corps at Camp Devens, passed Saturday and Sunday with his parents in this city.

John Cullinan of New Hampshire village is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cullinan of Stark street.

E. D. Stoddard and family are to move to Manchester the first part of the week. Portsmouth friends by the acre will regret their leaving. Mr. Stoddard returns to accept a more lucrative position.

Alphonso Francis Raynes who is a student at the medical school, Columbia University, New York City, is passing the holiday recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Raynes of Lincoln avenue.

The wedding of Edward Leonard superintendent of schools for Somersworth and Newmarket, son of Mrs. Henry Elsie Leonard of Arlington, to Miss Ethel May Stewart of Somersworth, will take place this afternoon at the parsonage of the Holy Trinity church, Somersworth. Albert Stevens of Boston, classmate of the bridegroom at Dartmouth, will be best man. The bride will be attended by her sister, Miss Hazel Stewart.

Building drive. He leaves today for Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Purlington are visiting friends in Beverly.

Mrs. Fred L. Martin spent Christmas with relatives at York.

Mrs. W. E. Partington of Medford, Mass., is visiting in this city.

Mrs. C. C. Smith and two children are visiting in Plymouth, Mass.

Dr. M. I. Hoger of Middle street has gone to Toledo, Ohio, for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gregg are spending a few days in Beverly, Mass.

Miss Isabelle Wildes of Haverhill, was a visitor here over the holiday.

Albert Gibbons spent Christmas with his parents in Worcester, Mass.

Reginald Jewett of Boston passed the holiday with his parents in this city.

Frank Hulsof of New York passed the holiday with V. A. Hett and family.

Chief Machinist's Mate Joseph Fingleton spent Christmas with relatives here.

Howard Dukeshire of the Hodgdon Cafe is enjoying a vacation in Springfield.

Charles Robin of Waterville spent Christmas with his family on Union street.

Dr. M. I. Hoger has been called to Toledo, O., by the illness of her brother.

Mrs. Margaret Goodwin of Waterbury, Conn., is visiting her mother in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Keefe of Boston passed Christmas with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Kimball of Brookline, Mass., is visiting Mrs. Jos. C. Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. George Evans and young son of Reading, Mass., are visiting relatives here.

Mr. Theodore Ashworth Greene of New York is the guest of Rev. L. H. Thayer and family.

Mrs. John P. Riley of Cambridge, Mass., is passing a few days in this city with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Weston of Weston passed the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Brewster.

Mr. G. Conrad Snow of Lincoln avenue is passing the holiday with his mother in Manchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Brown passed the Christmas holiday with Mrs. Brown's mother in Manchester.

Miss Annie Phelps of Orange, N. J., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. S. Hewitt of Middle street.

Private Frank Morris of the Engineering Corps, Fort Stark, passed the holiday at his home in Lawrence.

Miss Conny Crosstuck of Portland, arrived Tuesday evening for a visit with relatives on Jefferson street.

Mr. Stanley MacDaniel of Bunkie Island is visiting his mother, Mrs. Charles MacDaniel of Wiburd street.

Mrs. Fred Sixtree left Monday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Larsen of Rockland.

Mrs. Emma Blaine of Chicago was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Hotel Bellevue, Boston, passed the holiday with relatives in this city.

Willis H. Hoyt of Camp Devens, son-in-law of Leon G. Young, has been designated for the officers' training school.

William Smith of Newton Upper Falls spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Hanover street.

Mrs. Willis Kimball and daughter Marjorie of Swampscott, Mass., passed the holiday with her mother, Mrs. W. A. Hodgdon.

Katherine and Constance Lyons of Ingleson street spent Christmas with their aunt, Mrs. George Fernald of Perry lane, Kittery.

Lawrence Downing, U. S. A., of Springfield, Mass., passed the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Downing, in this city.

Mrs. A. D. Wentworth and family of the Prescott hotel, are entertaining Ensign and Mrs. Charles Antrobus, U. S. N. of Brooklyn, N. Y., over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmons Blaife have returned from their wedding tour and are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gladding of Court street.

Thomas M. Jensen, U. S. Engineers, has been appointed major in the Quartermaster's Department, by President Wilson. He married a Portsmouth girl, Miss Bradford.

Top Sergeant Roy H. Fogarty, formerly of this city now of the Depot Brigade at Camp Devens, was the interlocutor at a ministerial show on Christmas eve. Roy has made good as a soldier and he is well liked by the officers and men alike.

Among the officers promoted in the navy on Monday as a result of the selective board recommendations was

Commander John V. Klemann who be-

comes a Captain. He was formerly at

WANT ROOSEVELT TO HAVE CHARGE OF MUNITIONS

Washington, Dec. 26.—Kern Dodge of Philadelphia, formerly president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, who is here in the interests of an efficient administration of the munition problem, issued a statement last night in which he urges the creation of secretary of munitions.

Among the other things he advocates a civilian instead of a military organization and suggests Col. Roosevelt as the type of man needed for this work. Secretary Baker, asked recently what he thought of the necessity for such an organization, declined to express an opinion.

Prompted by Investigation

In his statement, Mr. Dodge said in part:

"In connection with the investigation by a congressional committee into the apparent chaotic conditions of the ordnance bureau, I feel that the following facts may be useful and helpful.

"We have always been proud of the great ability of the various organizations of our manufacturing plants. No points of design or specifications or details of contracts have been too difficult for them to meet successfully when dealing with any material or finished product for this or the world's markets.

"There is nothing in the manufacture of munitions that calls for any higher qualities than those indicated above, yet it is a fact that serious difficulties are met by the manufacturer when producing munitions.

Inspectors Lack Experience

"One of these difficulties is met at the stage where inspection takes place. The inspector is supposed to use considerable judgment, but the men used by the government for this work usually have had little or no experience of the material or article they are inspecting. When I think of it added the fact that the inspectors are in uniform and under military rule, it should easily be seen how little even the 'human element' can be of service on account of restrictions each man in these conditions works under.

"Again, the fact that they now hold a military position tends to create in their mind an attitude of adverse criticism which usually results in their preferring to build up a reputation of rejecting rather than accepting.

"I believe that one of the serious difficulties the manufacturer is working under today would be overcome if the inspectors were a part of a civilian organization and not a military one.

Advises Use of Plan

"This involves a principle which should, in my opinion, extend and refer to all phases of munitions, concerned with the manufacture and production.

"This principle means that all such matters should be placed in the hands of a civilian organization by the creation of a separate department to that of the military one at present controlling same and, to free from politics.

"Our allies found by bitter experience that this was the only way to produce good results, and we should at once carry a similar plan into effect.

"If we do not I predict that the pro-

duction of munitions will be seriously hampered by delays and postponements due to military matters.

"I feel that we need a man to guide and control this matter similar in type to Lloyd George of England, who took over the munitions production in that way, and I think we have that man.

"Our slogan should be 'A munition Lloyd George for America' and all things point to his prototype here in the form of Theodore Roosevelt."

HALIFAX RELIEF FUND \$1238.

The Halifax relief fund has been practically closed in this city and Secretary Baker of the Chamber of Commerce who has had charge of this collection, states that there is \$1236.45 ready to be forwarded to the relief committee.

This is in addition to the \$1835 that the employes of the Portsmouth navy yard furnished, making a total out of this city of \$3,074 a very creditable sum.

The total fund for the entire state is only \$7,000 of that Portsmouth has furnished almost half of that amount. Considering the fact that it was entirely voluntarily subscriptions that is not collected personally by any committee it shows fine spirit.

Of this sum \$147.00 was received from the benefit concert under the auspices of the Eastern Star, a most generous sum considering the nearness of the concert to Christmas.

The churches as a result of the collection of Dec. 16, contribute but little over \$400 of which the Catholic church gave some over half.

This relief fund is still another example of the way that this city has responded to every call made upon it. The two liberty loans were way over subscribed, the two Red Cross calls were responded to in a most noble manner and the Red Triangle received its full quota from this city. It is a fine spirit and shows that this city has not lost any of its generosity of which it has been noted.

The postoffice force worked all day

Christmas, and succeeded with extra help in getting out the greater part of the Christmas mail, but it was a tired bunch that quit work at night. The mail this year has been the heaviest in the history of the office. The regular mail has been greatly increased and added to this has been many thousands of pieces for the enlisted men at the navy yard and forts.

Now that the Red Cross drive is over, it is hoped that there will not be any more drives for several months. While all have been for good causes and everybody has responded nobly, there is a limit, and also it is apparent that some attention should be paid to local charities. In the rush there has been a tendency to forget the local charities.

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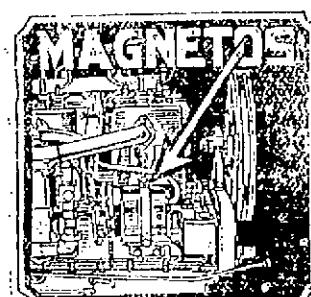
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The Christmas spirit certainly was manifested by the inmates of the United States naval prison on Christmas day in a private telegram which they ordered sent to Washington. The message was from the Naval Welfare League and was transmitted without the knowledge of Lieut. Commander Thomas Mott Osborne, who commands the prison and the father of the league which has done so much for the good of the court martial men. The telegram read as follows:

"To Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D. C.

"Our hearts are tonight filled with love for you and our commanding officer. We have had a real Christmas here. The institution today seemed more like a Christian home than a prison. The kindnesses received at your hands have made all of us determined to strive for restoration, make good and thereby prove our appreciation. Wishing you and yours all the happy returns of the season.

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THE HERALD HEARS

That if Santa Clause delivered a few blankets to horse owners he did a good thing.

That a popular lady resident of Richards avenue was out on the sly on Saturday last.

That she succeeded in capturing a few pounds at one of the local stores. That smiling over her purchase she did other shopping in the business district.

That she visited two or three stores and accidentally laid the sweet stuff down and forgot it.

That she put in more than one hour in a hunt to recover the two pounds but it had disappeared.

That she says secret service men at Washington would look like amateurs on a hunt for such an article.

That they would have a better chance to recover diamonds than they would sugar.

That she will land the sugar home first the next time she gets any.

That the reservations on the 1918 winter wagon are expected to be numerous.

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tendent of public works is giving the politicians plenty to talk about.

LOCAL DASHES

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Velle automobiles, C. E. Woods, New street.

The Twentieth Century club dines on Monday evening.

Lots of ice cakes were noted floating down river Tuesday.

Portsmouth may get another naval prison on this side of the river.

The loss of business owing to the absence of the ships hurt some.

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It is not expected that the democrats will make many changes in the present list of city officials.

Sunday was comparatively quiet in police circles, with only two stray drunks registered at midnight.

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Portsmouth enjoyed the most prosperous Christmas in many years.

The activity on the river, so far as river boats go, appears to be doomed.

The Elks are planning a wonderful time for their Charity ball the last of next month. It promises to eclipse anything ever attempted by this bustling organization.

The temperature Christmas day was comparatively mild, but during the evening the first evidence of the promised cold spell began to appear, and the temperature dropped rapidly.

LOST—Saturday, Dec. 15, a red telescope bag; owner will be rewarded if same is returned to Yeaton's Grain Store, Market street. Tel. d28, 31.

In the list of those who contributed refreshments for the ladies at the Red Cross house tent, it should be mentioned that Howe and Vandy served hot chocolate on Saturday and Monday.

Eight members of the Boston Country Club participated in the shoot for the DuPont silver medal on the club traps. Parker W. Whittemore with an actual kill of 46, one of the two scratch men, won the medal.

Read the Want Ads

TAKES POSITION AT NEW ORLEANS

George Gillen Will Be Head of Estimating and Planning Section.

George N. Gillen, one of the best known civil officials at the Portsmouth navy yard has accepted a position at the New Orleans station under Constructor Hammer, formerly of the local yard. Mr. Gillen will act as the head of the estimating and planning section of the southern yard. Mr. Gillen is an expert mechanic and will make a very valuable man in his new field of labor. For the past 17 years he has acted as leadingman machinist at the Portsmouth yard and leaves there with a most excellent record. Previous to his departure his fellow workmen in the shop presented him with a travelling bag, Elks charm and a fountain pen. Before taking up government work he was employed at Saco, Me., and Attleboro, Mass.

BURKE APPOINTED A LIEUTENANT

Enters Merchant Service and

Later the Navy.

Charles A. Burke of this city, son of Captain James Burke, keeper of the Nubble light at York, has been appointed a Lieutenant in the reserve navy. He entered the merchant marine service and went from third to first officer. The ship on which he was serving was later taken over by the navy department and Burke went with the ship and was immediately promoted to the above named rank. Judging from his knowledge of the merchant service and his work in the past there is no doubt that the young officer will make good.

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First Time This Winter

on Jan. 2.

The annual tournament between the old-time rivals, the P. A. C. and the Elks, will begin Wednesday evening, January 2, at the P. A. C. club house. The excitement will consist of cards and pool and billiards. The Elk cohorts will be lead by Captain Tom Lynch assisted by Lieuts. Amherst, Hogan and Capstick. This contest is for real blood.

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BIG LAND DEAL AT FREEMAN'S PT.

The interest in the large tracts of land at Freeman's Point owned by Col. John Pender, was taken over today by P. W. Hartford. It is understood that the transfer has to do with coming moves in that locality. The transfer was made this afternoon.

WEDDING BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Pretty Home Wedding of Popular Young Couple.

A quiet but pretty home wedding occurred on Christmas afternoon at 4 o'clock at 139 South street when Miss Elsa A. Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Robinson was united in marriage to Sherburne S. Wendell, son of Mrs. Curtis and the late Henry Wendell. The couple were unattended and the bride was gowned in a graduation dress of chintz silk, pearl trimming and carried a prayer book. The home was prettily decorated with laurel, holly and evergreen, where a reception followed. They were the recipients of many beautiful wedding gifts. Following a short honeymoon in Massachusetts they will reside at 139 South street. Both are justly popular young people. The groom is employed at the navy yard as a machinist and the bride is also connected with the government having some time ago enrolled as a yeoman in the naval reserve.

MORE PAY FOR THE TELEPHONE EMPLOYEES

Increase of \$1 for Operators and Supervisors at Local Exchange.

The operators and supervisors of the New England Telephone Central exchange received a Christmas gift in the form of an increase in wages. The first named will be advanced from \$12 to \$13 and the latter from \$15 to \$16. The advance is based upon money received in accordance with a sliding scale. It is said that it will amount to about a ten per cent voluntary raise on the part of the company.

WORKMAN INJURED BY FALLING TIMBER

Dover Man Meets With Accident at Shipbuilding Plant.

Harry Clark of Dover, employed at the emergency ship building plant at Nowlington, was sent to the Portsmouth hospital today following an injury in which his foot was badly crushed by a falling timber. He suffered no broken bones.

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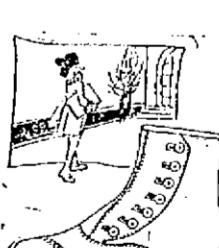
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